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Note

The Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act was signed into law on December 9, 1999. This act established a new Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) within the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), effective January 1, 2000. Prior to that, the motor carrier and highway safety program was administered under the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

The mission of the FMCSA is to improve truck and commercial passenger carrier safety on our nation's highways through information technology, targeted enforcement, research and technology, outreach, and partnerships. The FMCSA manages the Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) / Commercial Vehicle Operations (CVO) program, a voluntary effort involving public and private partnerships that uses information systems, innovative technologies, and business practice re-engineering to improve safety, simplify government administrative systems, and provide savings to states and motor carriers. The FMCSA works closely with the FHWA ITS Joint Program Office (JPO) to ensure the integration and interoperability of ITS/CVO systems with the national ITS program.

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